

REMARKS

With the foregoing, claims 3, 4, 10, and 11 have been canceled without prejudice. Claims 16-18 have been newly added. Accordingly, claims 1, 2, 5-9, and 12-18 are pending and at issue in the above identified patent application. Of the claims at issue, claims 1, 7, and 14 are independent, and claims 14 and 15 are allowed. In view of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks, reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

The Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 103

Claims 3, 8, and 10 were objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. The applicant has amended the claims accordingly and respectfully submits that all claims are allowable.

Claims 1- 6

The limitations of claim 3 have been incorporated into claim 1. In particular, claim 1 now recites, *inter alia*, selecting the predetermined cell volume in dependence upon a particular factor. As supported by the application in at least page 5, line 22, the particular factors include as at least one of an ink color, a stylus type, a paper quality, a paper roughness, or a stylus condition. Accordingly, no new matter has been added.

In view of the aforementioned amendments to independent claim 1, the applicant respectfully submits that claim 1, and all claims dependent thereon, are in condition for allowance.

Claims 7- 13

The limitations of claim 10 have been incorporated into claim 7. In particular, claim 7 now recites, *inter alia*, selecting the predetermined cell volume in dependence upon a particular factor, the particular factor being at least one of an ink color, a stylus type, a paper quality, a paper roughness, or a stylus condition. Similar to independent claim 1, the application supports the particular factor on at least page 5, line 22. Accordingly, no new matter has been added.

In view of the aforementioned amendments to independent claim 7, the applicant respectfully submits that claim 7, and all claims dependent thereon, are in condition for allowance.

Claims 14 and 15

Claims 14 and 15 were allowed. Accordingly, no amendments have been made to either claim 14 or 15.

New Claims 16-19

New dependent claims 16-19 depend directly from corresponding amended independent claims 1 and 7 and are, therefore, allowable over the art of record.

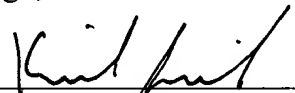
Conclusion

Reconsideration of the application and allowance thereof are respectfully requested. If there is any matter that the examiner would like to discuss, the examiner is invited to contact the undersigned representative at the telephone number set forth below.

Respectfully submitted,

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